

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

Diana Quintero, individually,

Plaintiff,

v.

United States of America; Does I-V; and
Does Corporations I-V, inclusive,

Defendants.

Case No. 2:22-cv-01943-GMN-NJK

**Order to Schedule
Settlement Conference and
Stay Remaining Deadlines**

The parties respectfully request that the Court set this matter for a settlement conference and stay the remaining discovery deadlines. *See* LR 26-3; *Volk v. D.A. Davidson & Co.*, 816 F.2d 1406, 1416–17 (9th Cir. 1987) (a district court has wide latitude in controlling discovery); *Stern v. United States*, 563 F. Supp. 484, 489 (D. Nev. 1983) (courts have the inherent power to stay causes on its docket to avoid duplicative litigation, inconsistent results, and waste of time and effort).

This action arises under the Federal Tort Claims Act (“FTCA”) for alleged injuries to Plaintiff arising from an October 14, 2020, car accident. The parties have completed discovery. The remaining deadlines are December 21, 2023, for dispositive motions and January 22, 2024, for the proposed joint pretrial order.

Without waiver or binding admission against either party, the parties submit that it would conserve their resources, as well as those of the Court, if the settlement conference for

1 this matter were held before dispositive motions, if any, and preparation of the proposed joint
2 pretrial order.

3 Additionally, defense counsel has responses to motions in other matters, including a
4 motion for summary judgment, in December.

5 Taking into accounts their schedules and obligations in other cases along with the
6 judicial holidays during the latter part of December, the parties propose that the Court set a
7 settlement conference on or after ~~January 18, 2024~~. February 5, 2024.

8 If this case does not get resolved at the settlement conference, the parties agree to
9 submit within 14 days thereafter a new, proposed schedule for dispositive motions and the
10 proposed joint pretrial order.

11 Accordingly, the parties respectfully request that the Court grant this stipulation and
12 thereafter issue a separate order setting the date, details, and requirements for the settlement
13 conference.

14 Respectfully submitted this 18th day of December 2023.

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22 **IT IS SO ORDERED:**

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24 **UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE**

25 **DATED:** December 19, 2023